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FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 1916.

The world is filled with 22-caliber men trying to explode in 42-centimeter shells.—Herbert Kaufman.

It is good indeed to see a candidate for a Democratic nomination, who was overwhelmingly defeated, line up strongly for the nominee and request his friends to support that nominee. That is what Bob Kidd, editor of the Poteau News, and aspirant for the Congressional nomination from this district, has done. Immediately after the primary, when Kidd saw his defeat, he came out with a strong editorial urging his friends to give their solid support to Charley Carter. We're proud of Kidd, even though we opposed his nomination.

Campbell Russell has secured the Democratic nomination for Corporation Commissioner, long term, which practically assures his election to this very important office. Many people, including the News, have believed Russell to be dangerously radical in his policies, and he has advocated several constitutional changes that are impractical, without any doubt. It is to be hoped that those who have opposed him will suffer a disappointment, and that he will develop into a great arbiter of differences between the people and the corporations, the prime function of a member of that important tribunal.

Democratic nomination for county office in Bryan County has always meant election, and hardly ever have other parties had tickets in the field. This condition has killed all Democratic interest in the general election and light votes have been polled each November. This year, a different condition exists, for the Republicans and Socialists each have county tickets in the field and are making strenuous efforts to win an office or two. Continued indifference on the part of the rank and file of the Democrats spells only defeat. It is up to the county organization and the nominees to get busy in behalf of the ticket.

Bryan County, once backward in the improving of her roadways, is now the leader of all Oklahoma Jefferson Highway counties in improvements made. The conviet gang working on the road from the river to the north county line have reached a point nearly midway between Calera and Durant, and are doing splendid work and making progress quickly. After the road has settled a bit, and been dragged a few times, it will be a splendid example of earth highway. Other counties are already taking notes of our progress.

It is the Democratic voters who are most interested in the elimination of the negro from politics in Oklahoma, and the imposition of a literacy test as a voting qualification, yet these same interested Democrats in Bryan County aided the Republicans and Socialists in the primary to defeat the literacy test, which lost in this county two to one. Whether the countless Democrats who by their vote sanctioned negro voting, did so with a full knowledge of their act, will not be known. It is sufficient to remark, however, that there are doubtless hundreds who voted on this and other important questions without taking the trouble to inform themselves for what they were voting in the recent election.

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The handiwork of Durant's regenerated city council is already seen in the reduction of the city tax levy as compared with the levy last year, and the way in which that body is setting out to lop off useless expense and cut the necessary expense to the minimum, is indication that the levy will go lower next year. For years Durant's careless and inefficient officials squandered right and left, while the people cursed and kicked, but paid the bill and said nothing. Last year these people woke up and put some new life at the helm of affairs, and the awakening has only begun. Durant wants better government, more efficient service, and a reasonable tax rate, and her people have set out to get what they want.

**VOTE RECEIVED BY PRECINCT OFFICIALS**  
The vote received in the several precincts of the peace precincts by candidates for Justice of the Peace and for Constable in the Democratic primary, was as follows:

**Justice of the Peace**  
**Durant Precinct**  
W. S. Archibald ..... 403  
R. C. Apple ..... 183  
J. A. Simmons ..... 190  
W. S. Shannon ..... 397  
R. L. Wilkinson ..... 267

**Constable, Durant**  
Z. T. Serber ..... 342  
M. T. Tabor ..... 296  
L. F. Johnson ..... 217  
W. A. Dickinson ..... 298

**Brown and Spears Precinct**  
**Justice**  
Renfro ..... 95  
E. L. Trout ..... 196  
E. P. Grounds ..... 83

**Constable**  
Calvin Veach ..... 58  
R. J. Howard ..... 156  
J. E. Ledford ..... 132  
Chas. Decker ..... 44

**Calera Township**  
**Justice**  
John Ausley ..... 193  
W. H. Outbait ..... 123

**Constable**  
C. N. Goodman ..... 114  
Walker Meades ..... 110  
J. L. Elliott ..... 63  
J. T. Hightower ..... 67

**Colbert Township**  
**Justice**  
Dan Collins ..... 220

**Constable**  
Babe Murray ..... 37  
A. L. Cordell ..... 123  
Milt McPherson ..... 94

**Bokchito and Albany Township**  
**Justice**  
S. E. Loveless ..... 209  
W. W. Hardage ..... 159

**Constable**  
J. J. Crumney ..... 96  
I. N. Polk ..... 130  
S. W. Adams ..... 135

**Bennington Township**  
**Justice**  
J. M. Ellis ..... 223

**Constable**  
W. H. Bruce ..... 195  
J. W. Daniels ..... 57

**Matoy Township**  
**Justice**  
Chas. Q. Adams ..... 118

**Constable**  
W. H. Fink ..... 27  
S. P. Bryant ..... 59  
A. R. Howell ..... 28

**Caddo and Kennelcreek Township**  
**Justice**  
B. F. Maddox ..... 172  
J. M. Scrigner ..... 163

**Constable**  
T. A. Alexander ..... 316

**TO MY FRIENDS**  
I desire to extend to the voters of Bryan County my sincere thanks for the handsome vote accorded me in the recent primary. I feel that your decision to retain me in office voices your good opinion of my past administration, and I am highly gratified. I shall endeavor, during the next two years, to merit your confidence by maintaining a high standard of efficiency and by giving the duties of the office of Tax Assessor my entire time and attention.

Very respectfully,  
W. H. YEATS, Tax Assessor.

**GOVERNOR'S BARN BURNED**  
A hay barn on a meadow belonging to Governor Williams, eight miles north of here on the Katy, was burned Monday night at 10 o'clock. The barn and contents of 240 tons of hay, 2,500 bushels of oats, 600 bushels of corn and some wheat were a total loss. The amount of the loss is about \$4,000, with \$1,500 insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown.

**TO THE PEOPLE OF BRYAN COUNTY:**  
I take this method of expressing my appreciation to the people of Bryan County for the splendid support given me at the polls on August 1st for the Democratic nomination for the office of county treasurer.

The very heavy majority in my favor indicates that the people expect efficient service and accommodation, and I shall always endeavor to conduct the affairs of the office in such a manner that no one shall be disappointed.  
CARL BEATY.

**AN APPRECIATION**  
I have not the words, much less the eloquence, to express to my friends my appreciation of their efforts in my behalf in my race for election as county commissioner for district one. Failing in words, it shall be my earnest endeavor to show that appreciation by faithful and efficient service during the next two years.  
ED. L. SPEARS.

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## DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET

Official Count Made By the Election Board, and is Given Here With the Totals Cast for Each Candidate for Nomination.

The county election board has completed the canvass of the vote for county officials, and the total vote received by each aspirant for nomination for county office was as follows:

**County Judge**  
J. L. Rappaport ..... 1330  
Lewis Paulin ..... 1756

**County Attorney**  
Chas. P. Abbott ..... 1667  
Claude Smith ..... 1411

**Court Clerk**  
W. A. Jones ..... 1856  
B. M. McDaniel ..... 1186

**County Clerk**  
John Finney ..... 1785  
H. B. Deaton ..... 816  
J. M. Moore ..... 522

**Sheriff**  
John Phillips ..... 1917  
Jeff Early ..... 1155

**County Treasurer**  
Carl Beatty ..... 1966  
J. V. Spell ..... 1098

**County Superintendent**  
R. K. McIntosh ..... 2189

**County Assessor**  
W. H. Yeats ..... 1187  
W. W. Gates ..... 984  
C. A. Woodward ..... 882

**County Weigher**  
R. A. Bishop ..... 2692

**County Surveyor**  
L. V. Stinson ..... 1614  
J. E. Davis ..... 1229

**State Committee**  
W. E. Utterback ..... 1746  
C. C. Hatchett ..... 1366

**County Com., Dist. 1**  
Ed. Spears ..... 860  
C. C. McCarty ..... 153  
W. E. Morgan ..... 50  
J. M. Human ..... 138

**County Com., Dist. 3**  
Ben Hultsman ..... 311  
A. W. Lynn ..... 184  
R. B. Lemon ..... 330

**County Com., Dist. 3**  
J. W. Jones ..... 510  
Gray Nickels ..... 409

## ABBOTT THANKS VOTERS

As it is impossible to see each voter personally who voted in the Democratic primary election held on August 1st, I wish to express my deepest appreciation of the support I received through the press of the county. I do not believe any man who has run for office in this county has received a more loyal support than I. Those who supported me may rest assured that I will never forget the assistance rendered me. If elected in the general election as your county attorney, I shall endeavor to conduct the affairs of this office in such a way that no man who voted for me will have cause to regret having done so.

I wish to say to those who did not support me that I do not carry hate or enmity in my heart against any of them, and if I am elected in the general election, it shall be my pleasure to see to it that each citizen of this county gets a square deal and every courtesy extended to which he is entitled.

Give me your advice and co-operation, and, if elected, I shall give you on of the best administrations you have ever had.  
Respectfully,  
CHAS. P. ABBOTT.

## TO THE CITIZENS OF BRYAN COUNTY

I take this means of expressing my great gratitude to all those who in any way whatever aided me in my race for the office of county clerk of this county. For those who in their judgment felt it their duty to support either of my opponents I have the kindest feelings, believing that you were sincere in your choice. I am now back from my Salt River outing, and am ready to get into the harness in obedience to the admonition of the Democratic party, in support of the successful candidates chosen in the primary.  
Sincerely,  
H. B. DEATON.

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## REPUBLICANS POLL VOTE OF 757

In the primary August first there were 757 Republican votes cast, that number being received by C. H. Elting, the party's candidate for county judge. The vote received by each Republican county and precinct candidate was as follows:

**County Judge**  
C. H. Elting ..... 757

**County Attorney**  
Robt. Crockett ..... 738

**Sheriff**  
T. J. Sexton ..... 743

**County Clerk**  
L. W. Frazier ..... 730

**Court Clerk**  
L. H. Cox ..... 724

**Surveyor**  
L. H. Harral ..... 724

**Assessor**  
W. S. Hawkins ..... 712

**Superintendent**  
A. E. McCreary ..... 737

**Treasurer**  
Wm. Malone ..... 724

**Commissioner, Dist. 1**  
J. R. Duncan ..... 178

**Commissioner, Dist. 2**  
G. W. Wells ..... 231

**Commissioner, Dist. 3**  
J. W. Lewis ..... 257

**Constable, Precinct 1**  
Chas. Mosley ..... 90

**Constable, Precinct 2**  
J. P. Fears ..... 125

**Constable, Precinct 3**  
J. D. Dan ..... 97

**Constable, Precinct 4**  
D. Walker ..... 113

**Justice, Precinct 4**  
W. C. Bertram ..... 112

## DEMOCRATIC PRECINCT COMMITTEEMEN

The following Democratic precinct committeemen were selected at the recent primary election:

Durant, Ward One—J. H. Newman.

Durant, Ward Two—J. H. Downing.

Durant, Ward Three—R. F. Story.

Durant, Ward Four—E. H. Stewart.

Spears Township—No. 1, L. R. O'Riley; No. 2, W. E. L. Durant; No. 3, J. K. Griffith; No. 4, W. A. Pate; No. 5, C. H. Colbert; No. 6, H. D. Burton.

Brown Township—No. 1, J. W. Brown; No. 2, W. D. Clark; No. 3, D. Armstrong.

Calera Township—No. 1, A. J. Wells; No. 2, J. H. Condit; No. 3, W. H. Anders; No. 4, J. D. Greenway.

Kemp Township—No. 1, Jack Turner; No. 2, A. C. Herndon and W. A. Conley (tie vote); No. 3, O. E. Cox.

Colbert Township—No. 1, Tom Hamilton; No. 2, S. W. Rains; No. 3, G. R. Massey; No. 4, W. E. Hamilton.

Albany Township—No. 1, Lee Cain; No. 2, J. J. Teague; No. 3, D. C. McCallib.

Bokchito Township—No. 1, Jim Tom Story; No. 2, Roy Hawkes; No. 3, Walter Corley.

Bennington Township—No. 1, J. W. Hall; No. 2, Sam Dawson; No. 3, M. W. LeFlore; No. 4, (no candidate); No. 5, Jake Jones.

Matoy Township—No. 1, J. S. Kirk; No. 2, W. H. Cummins; No. 3, M. L. Pierce.

Caddo Township—No. 1, A. F. Manning; No. 2, Jas. Sargent; No. 3, E. S. Matlock; No. 4, Tom Bennisfield.

## SOCIALISTS POLL VOTE OF 700

In the primary last week the largest vote received by a Socialist candidate for county office was 700, received by R. Massey, candidate for county attorney. The vote for each county and precinct candidate of that party was as follows:

**County Attorney**  
R. Massey ..... 700

**Sheriff**  
Math Damron ..... 704

**County Clerk**  
J. Rowland ..... 701

**Court Clerk**  
T. J. Shelton ..... 697

**Surveyor**  
John H. Furlong ..... 694

**Assessor**  
W. A. Brown ..... 694

**Weigher**  
J. N. Puckett ..... 694

**Treasurer**  
G. G. Renshaw ..... 697

**Commissioner, Dist. 1**  
John A. Glover ..... 229

**Commissioner, Dist. 2**  
C. L. Pyles ..... 182

**Commissioner, Dist. 3**  
C. Cooper ..... 248

**Constable, Precinct 1**  
F. A. Tupman ..... 143

**Justice, Precinct 1**  
W. B. Alexander ..... 144

**Constable, Precinct 2**  
F. A. Maples ..... 80

**Justice, Precinct 2**  
W. W. Stone ..... 85

**Constable, Precinct 3**  
C. J. Weger ..... 38

**Constable, Precinct 4**  
Mack Butler ..... 116

**Justice, Precinct 4**  
E. O. White ..... 116

**Constable, Precinct 7**  
H. C. Patton ..... 71

**Justice, Precinct 7**  
C. M. Murphree ..... 72

# NEW FALL SKIRTS JUST RECEIVED

WE RECEIVED A SHIPMENT of NEW FALL SKIRTS this morning and have them on display. We invite you to call and see them.

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## RETURN FROM OUTING

The Camp Fire Girls returned to the city Saturday evening after a six days' outing at Devil's Den, near Tishomingo. The young ladies were accompanied on their trip by Mesdames Bob Williams, Green Thompson, and G. W. Short. Boy Scouts William Tyree and Jeff Early were also along as bodyguards and general utility men. The young ladies in the party were: Ruby White, Ruby Thompson, Elizabeth Pettey, Anna Mae Dunn, Emmeretta Wood, Irma Nolen, Joe Crudrup and Margaret Williams.

## ELECTION CONTEST FILED

Tom Tabor, candidate for the Democratic nomination for constable of Durant precinct, who was defeated by Will Dickerson by two ballots, has filed petition with the election board asking for a recount of the ballots. It is said that several other contests are expected to be filed any day.

## OKLAHOMA GUARD AGAIN IN QUARANTINE

According to word received here this week the entire regiment of the First Oklahoma Infantry, stationed at San Benito, Texas, has again been quarantined, as the result of a case of measles found in Company L.

## W. O. W. MEETING AT ADA

The Oklahoma and Arkansas district uniform rank of the W. O. W. began a week's encampment at Ada Monday. Five hundred or more delegates are in attendance.

## OLD TIMER VISITS CITY

J. W. Stewart, father of Messrs. E. W. and F. P. Stewart, of the Durant Grain and Elevator Company, spent last week in Durant. This was Mr. Stewart's first to the city in fourteen years and he expressed surprise at the many improvements that have been made since his last visit here.

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